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**Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism Announces \$225,000 in  
Volunteer Generation Funds**

*Federal grants help to increase volunteer efforts that address community needs*

**Baltimore, MD (November 23, 2015)** – Governor Hogan's Office on Service and Volunteerism announced today that nine volunteer connector organizations, including six Maryland volunteer centers, have received funding from the Corporation for National and Community Service's Volunteer Generation Fund. The Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism will distribute more than \$225,000 in funding to these organizations, which were selected in a statewide competitive process.

"Volunteer connector organizations work to create a brighter future for all Maryland citizens," said Governor Hogan. "These grants will enable our volunteers to continue to do good work in our communities, and strengthen the great state of Maryland."

"Over 1.3 million Maryland residents volunteer in their communities, and the 190.4 million hours they serve is valued at \$4.2 billion. However, the impact our volunteers make is priceless," said Jeff Griffin, director of the Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism.

Each of the following organizations were awarded a Volunteer Generation Fund grant of up to \$25,000 to increase their ability to recruit and retain volunteers, and encourage other organizations' to use effective volunteer management practices: Business Volunteers Maryland, Cecil County Department of Community Services, Maryland Science Olympiad, United Way of Frederick County, United Way of Central Maryland, STEMaction, Montgomery County Volunteer Center, Volunteer Center for Anne Arundel County, and Volunteer Center Serving Howard County.

Volunteer connector organizations are community, faith-based, and government organizations that help individuals, groups, families, and corporate partners become effectively engaged in service to their communities. By the end of the Volunteer Generation Fund grant year, volunteer connector organizations aim to recruit or manage 26,000 Maryland residents who will serve 62,000 hours.

To learn more about the Volunteer Generation Fund Grantees, visit [GOSV.maryland.gov](https://GOSV.maryland.gov).

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